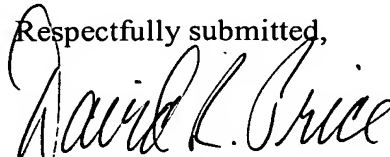


**Remarks**

This preliminary amendment is made to conform the application to U.S. practice. Applicants respectfully request consideration of this amendment prior to calculation of the filing fee.

If a conference call would be useful in resolving issues arising from the filing of this communication, please contact the undersigned at the below-noted number.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David R. Price". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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